

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

or

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW ACTS;" "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND ACTS, 1883-1891;" AND "THE LAND PURCHASE ACTS,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1900.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," up to the 28th day of February, 1900; also of Proceedings up to same date under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883-1891," and under "The Land Purchase Acts."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

L.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) In Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st January, 1900.			Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of February, 1900.	195,545		By Chief Commission to 31st January, 1900,	4,653	
	133		" In month of February, 1900,	31	4,694
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st January, 1900, Do. in month of Feb., 1900,	10,557	196,638			
	13				
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887" to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st Jan., 1900, Applications received in month of February, 1900,	30,060	10,570	By Sub-Commission to 31st January, 1900,	168,110	
	8		" In month of February, 1900,	237	168,347
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents, to 31st January, 1900, " received in Feb., 1900,	1,250	30,068			
	4				
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st January, 1900, Do. in month of Feb., 1900,	1,467	1,284	Dismissed—		
	1		To 31st January, 1900,	9,221	
			In month of February, 1900,	37	9,258
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to 31st January, 1900, Do. in month of Feb., 1900,	471	1,468	Struck out—		
	4		To 31st January, 1900,	34,344	
			In month of February, 1900,	76	34,920
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st January, 1900, Do. in month of Feb., 1900,	40	475	Withdrawn†—		
	—		To 31st January, 1900,	15,099	
			In month of February, 1900,	8	15,107
Total,	—	260,583	Total disposed of,	—	234,326

* These cases are also included in Redirection of Rent, Table (x.), page 5.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where explanations for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to 31st Jan., 1900,	51,510		Rents Fixed— By Chief Commissioner to 31st January, 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	801 121	801 121
Applications received in month of February, 1900,	315	51,825	By Sub-Commissioners to 31st January, 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	24,323 934	24,323 934
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st January, 1900, Do. in month of February, 1900,	3,671	31	Dismissed— To 31st January, 1900, In month of February, 1900,	294 38	294 38
		3,702	Struck out— To 31st January, 1900, In month of February, 1900,	5,068 260	5,068 260
Total,	—	55,527	Withdrawn*— To 31st January, 1900, In month of February, 1900,	877 38	877 38
					915
			Total disposed of,	—	33,066

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 44, fixing Fair Rent to 31st January, 1900, Do., do., in month of February, 1900,	—	129,922 349
	Total,	129,671

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to 31st January, 1900, Do., do., in month of February, 1900,	—	21,775 572
	Total,	22,347

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) Applications received to 31st January, 1900, Applications received in month of February, 1900,—	1,854 17	Number disposed of to 31st January, 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	9,681 15
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st January, 1900, Do. in month of February, 1900,—	45	1,851	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 35) received to 31st January, 1900, Applications in month of February, 1900,—	—	43	
	1,053	1,053	
Total, . . .	—	9,957	Total disposed of, . . .
			9,696

† The first notice of Application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1889, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 30.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1898,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st Jan., 1900,	22	
" in month of Feb., 1900,		" in month of Feb., 1900,	—	22
Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1900,		" in month of Feb., 1900,	30	
" in month of Feb., 1900,		" in month of Feb., 1900,	—	30
Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st Jan., 1900,		" in month of Feb., 1900,	3	
" in month of Feb., 1900,		" in month of Feb., 1900,	—	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	—	55

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 2nd February, 1898.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to 31st Jan., 1900,	19	Applications granted to 31st Jan., 1900,	6	
" in month of Feb., 1900,	—	" in month of Feb., 1900,	—	6
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st Jan., 1900,	19	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1900,	11	
" in month of Feb., 1900,	3	" in month of Feb., 1900,	—	11
" in month of Feb., 1900,	—	Applications withdrawn to 31st Jan., 1900,	3	
		" in month of Feb., 1900,	—	3
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	—	20

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891.

Applications received to 31st Jan., 1900,	4,316	Rents fixed to 31st Jan., 1900,	8,931	
" in February, 1900,	—	" in Feb., 1900,	—	8,931
Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 31st Jan., 1900,				
" in February, 1900,		405		
" in February, 1900,		—		405
Total,	4,316	Total disposed of,	—	8,936

VI.—APPEALS TO FAIR RENTS, &c.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to 31st January, 1900, in month of February, 1900,	49,948	Number heard to 31st January, 1900, in month of February, 1900,	24,946	
	89	" in month of February, 1900,	38	24,984
		Number dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	801	
		"	—	801
		Number withdrawn to 31st January, 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	31,781	
		"	9	31,790
		Total Number disposed of,	—	47,375
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	2,453
Total,	50,028	Total,	—	50,028

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to 31st Jan., 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	14,189	Number heard to 31st Jan., 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	3,977	
	373	"	58	4,035
		Number dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	—	
		"	—	
		Number withdrawn to 31st Jan., 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	2,088	
		"	22	2,110
		Total Number disposed of,	—	6,145
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	8,417
Total,	14,562	Total,	—	14,562

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

		Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 31st January, 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	:	29,179	£ 11,453,066
	:	—	—
Deduct Applications refused,	:	29,179	11,453,066
	:	3,811	1,469,426
		25,368	9,992,640
Loans sanctioned to 31st January, 1900, Loans sanctioned in month of February, 1900,	:	25,368	9,992,640
	:	—	—
		25,368	9,992,640
Loans issued to 31st January, 1900, Loans issued in month of February, 1900,	:	25,367	9,992,518
	:	—	—
		25,367	9,992,518

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891, 1896.

	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 31st January, 1900,	28,703	£ 8,663,511		
Less applications withdrawn,	32	9,660		
	28,671	8,653,511		
Loans applied for in month of February, 1900,	218	76,865	28,669	8,730,316
Loans applied for (Section 40, Act, 1896), to 31st Jan., 1900,	802	230,197		
" " in month of February, 1900,	85	24,255	887	254,452
Loans applied for (Redemption of Rent Act, 1891), to 31st January, 1900,	109	106,594		
" " in month of February, 1900,	—	—	109	106,594
Loans applied for (Section 43, Act, 1896), to 31st Jan., 1900,	17	325,355		
" " in month of February, 1900,	—	—	17	325,355
Loans applied for in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1885), to 31st January, 1900,	2,885	749,767		
" " in month of February, 1900,	—	—	2,835	749,767
Total number of Loans applied for to 28th February, 1900,			39,737	10,146,284
Less applications refused to 28th February, 1900,	1,052	426,316		
" " " in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1885), to 28th February, 1900,	1,077	302,244	2,129	738,560
Loans sanctioned to 31st January, 1900,	25,786	6,973,121		
" " in month of February, 1900,	435	138,231	23,341	7,111,332
Loans sanctioned (Section 40, Act, 1896), to 31st Jan., 1900,	802	230,197		
" " in month of February, 1900,	85	24,255	887	254,452
Loans sanctioned (Redemption of Rent Act, 1891), to 31st January, 1900,	109	106,594		
" " in month of February, 1900,	—	—	109	106,594
Loans sanctioned (Section 43, Act, 1896), to 31st Jan., 1900,	17	325,355		
" " in month of February, 1900,	—	—	17	325,355
Loans sanctioned in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1885), to 31st January, 1900,	1,758	447,523		
" " in month of February, 1900,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Total number of Loans sanctioned to 28th February, 1900,	—	—	26,012	8,945,976
Less applications refused to 28th February, 1900,	—	—	95	21,373
Loans issued to 31st January, 1900,	18,374	5,784,729		
" " in month of February, 1900,	219	70,521	18,593	5,855,250
" (Section 40, Act, 1896), to 31st Jan., 1900,	802	230,197		
" " in month of February, 1900,	85	24,255	887	254,452
" (Redemption of Rent Act, 1891), to 31st January, 1900,	84	82,649		
" " in month of February, 1900,	—	—	84	82,649
" (Section 43, Act, 1896), to 31st Jan., 1900,	17	325,355		
" " in month of February, 1900,	—	—	17	325,355
" in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1885), to 31st January, 1900,	1,758	447,523		
" " in month of February, 1900,	—	—	1,758	447,523
			31,339	6,945,329

IX.—REDEMPTION OF REST (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to 31st Jan., 1900,	1,455	Number of cases in which Consents to Redemption of Rent have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to 31st January, 1900,	149
in February, 1900,	3	Number received in February, 1900,	—
			149
		Number of cases in which no Consents were received and which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents* to 31st January, 1900,	1,280
		Number of cases in which time had expired for receiving consents in month of February, 1900,	—
			1,280
			1,449
Total,	1,458	Number of cases in which applications have been received but where time for lodgment of consent has not expired,	—
			9
		Total,	1,458

* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (a), page 2.

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1900.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 28th day of February, 1900.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) In Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st January, 1900,	32,387	Rents fixed to 31st Jan., 1900,	18,244
Applications received in month of February, 1900,	40	" in month of Feb., 1900,	27
			18,271
Applications by Leasholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 31st January, 1900,	4,379	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1900,	4,099
Applications received in month of February, 1900,	2	" in month of Feb., 1900,	—
			4,099
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending, to 31st January, 1900,	2,064	Applications withdrawn* to 31st Jan., 1900,	503
Applications received in month of February, 1900,	—	" in month of Feb., 1900,	—
			503
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to 31st January, 1900,	115	Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st Jan., 1900,	12,024
Applications received in month of February, 1900,	4	" in month of Feb., 1900,	14
			12,038
Total,	—	Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the 31st Jan., 1900,	40
		" in month of Feb., 1900,	—
			40
		Total disposed of,	34,951

* An Application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications so withdrawn are made, that a mutual agreement has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to 31st January, 1900,	6,986	Rents fixed to 31st Jan., 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	1,861 4	1,861
Applications received in month of February, 1900,	88	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	219 —	219
		Applications withdrawn* to 31st January, 1900, " in month of Feb., 1900,	84 —	84
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to 31st Jan., 1900, in month of Feb., 1900,	3,671 31	3,671
Total,	7,064	Total disposed of,	—	3,370

* An Application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 44, fixing Fair Rent to 31st January, 1900, Do., do. in month of February, 1900,	7,322 —
Total,	7,322

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term, received to 31st January, 1900, Do., do. in month of February, 1900,	125 1
Total,	126

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Reumption of Holdings, &c.); Applications received to 31st January, 1900,	641	Number disposed of to 31st January, 1900, " in month of Feb., 1900,	332 —	332
Applications received in month of February, 1900,	1	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st Jan., 1900,	42 —	42
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 33) received to 31st January, 1900,	3	Transferred in month of Feb., 1900,	—	—
Applications received in month of February, 1900,	—			
Total,	645	Total disposed of,	—	334

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance
of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888, [†]	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st Jan., 1900,		
		" in month of Feb., 1900,		
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1900,		
		" in month of Feb., 1900,		
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st January, 1900,		
		" in month of Feb., 1900,		
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st January, 1900,		
		" in month of Feb., 1900,		
Total,	6	Total disposed of,		6

[†] The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887"—FORM 88.

Number of Applications received to 31st January, 1900, " in month of February, 1900,	22	Applications granted to 31st Jan., 1900,		
		" in month of Feb., 1900,		
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1900,		
		" in month of Feb., 1900,		
		Applications withdrawn to 31st January, 1900,		
		" in month of Feb., 1900,		
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st January, 1900,		
		" in month of Feb., 1900,		
Total,	22	Total disposed of,		11

IRISH LAND COMMISSION,
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